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1a. A Trost Maserne: Occupied by a rear detail of about one hundred men wearing red-border, black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia.

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(1) Letter mailed in the Latvian SSR, presumably in late October 1948, written by a lieutenant's widow, whose husband was killed during a raid against "Banderovtsy" in the White Russian SSR in 1948.

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2. Former Workers' Home at 10 Tolbukhinstrasse: Occupied by a rear detail of about 25 men. Local residents stated that a division headquarters was located there. The division commander was said to be billeted at 32 Masengasse. The door of this house was closed and had a Soviet seal.

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3. KAGRAN (P 49/X 49): Only rear details wearing red-bordered, black epaulets with tank or artillery insignia were located there. Two new wooden buildings ~~had been constructed in the~~ cantonment.

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4. SCHNECHAT (P 49/X 48): The Soviet kommandantura was located at the corner of Sandnergasse and Ableidinger-gasse. Maj. KHMAL (phonetic spelling) was chief of the kommandantura, [redacted] was [redacted] About 160 troops, probably recruits, mostly wearing red-border, black epaulets with artillery insignia, were quartered in the "Dreher" Castle.

Comment:

a. The observations made by several sources in the VIENNA area in late June and early July 1949 confirm that most of the units stationed there (13th Gds Mecz Div) were still at troop training grounds (DOLLERS-HUM).

b. From par. 2 of the above report it is assumed that elements of the Hq of the 13th Gds Mecz Div were located in the house at 10 Tolbukhinstrasse. This assumption is corroborated by previous observations.

1 Annex: Documents (original).

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